

Merlinus Rusticus 1685.

Or, a COUNTRY

ALMANACK

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Treating of Courtly Matters, and the most
Sublime Affairs now in Agitation
throughout the whole World.

- I. Shewing the Beginning, Encrease, and Continuance of the
Turkish or Ottoman Empire.
- II. Predicting the Fate and State of the Roman and Turkish
Empires.
- III. Foretelling what Success, the Grand Signior shall have in
this his War, in which he is now engaged against the German
Emperour.

All these are endeavoured to be proved from the most probable
and indubitable Arguments of

HISTORY
{ THEOLOGY }
ASTROLOGY



Together with the ordinary Furniture of other ALMANACKS,
Being the First after *Bissexile* or Leap-Year.

By Henry Krabtree, Curate of Todmorden in Lancashire.

*The Fourth Beast was dreadful & terrible to behold, having great
Iron Teeth, and ten Horns; it devoured all other Beasts, and stamp-
ped upon them with its Feet. And there came up among the ten Horns
another little Horn, and plucked up three Horns by the roots; it had
Eyes like a Man, and a Mouth speaking great things. Dan .7. 7, 8.*

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ANALYSIS

OF THE
HISTORY OF THE
CITY OF NEW YORK

FROM THE
FUNDAMENTALS OF
THE CITY OF NEW YORK

TO THE
PRESENT STATE OF
THE CITY OF NEW YORK

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To the Reader.

THE last Year when I heard that the Turks had closely Besieged Vienna, and a false report was spread abroad that they had taken it, I began to write an Almanack, to acquaint the World that the Ottoman Empire is now grown to its full Height, and the Roman is come to its lowest Ebb, &c. But because I begun so late it could not be Printed, and that was the only Remora, as I was informed by Mr. Thomas Pilling living in London (whom I employed in that business) however I thought good to adventure once more, and to Transcribe my last Years Almanack, without adding one Cubit to its Stature, or altering any thing but the Calendar-part, and therefore I shall present my Reader with the very same Epistle which I writ to him the last Year, viz.

When I heard that the Turk was entered Germany with a mighty Army, and having made such a dreadful desolation and devastation in Hungary, and other parts of the German Empire, with an intention to subvert it totally, and annex it to his own Territories, I began to consider whether I could learn to know the Fate of the Roman and Turkish Empire or not: And reading some part of the Prophecy of Daniel, I thought that the general Fate of both Empires was there plainly predicted and foretold. And that it was contrary to the Word and Will of God that a Fifth Monarchy should be Erected, before the World was destroyed. Though I must confess that our Millenaries or Fifth Monarchy-men, are Men of so Jovial a Creed, that I could wish it stood with Gods Will, that I might find among them. But the sacred Scriptures clearly declare that the Roman Empire shall never be extinguished nor overthrown, but the Title and some Relicks shall remain till Christ come to Judgment: Though it shall be partly strong and partly weak, as is signified by the division of the foot into Two, & the Tree into part of Iron and part of Clay, yet the Sole of the foot being Iron, no force of Man shall be able to overthrow it, but it shall continue till the World it self be destroyed. And the Turk is now come to his full growth, and must ascend no higher, to be

To the Reader.

Absolute and Hereditary in his Conquests, he must be content with his three Horns of Egypt, Asia, and Greece: Which had Iroom should have been handled more largely, but being so narrowly confined, that I could not insert the Chronological with some other things, I hope, good Reader, I may obtain thy Pardon, though my Astrological arguments, which I hope in time to add. In the mean time Read and Consider what is Written, and I am

thine,

Hen. Krabtree.

Of the Eclipses this Year 1685.

THere will be three Eclipses of the Luminaries this present Year, one of the Sun and two of the Moon.

1. Will be of the Moon, *June 6* day about 6 at night, but it will not be visible to us in *England*, and therefore I say no more of it.

2. Will be a small Eclipse of the Sun, *June 21*, at 8 at night but scarce visible to us, because the Sun is going to another People.

3. Will be an Eclipse of the Moon, *November 30*. at 11 at night, it will be visible, total and central, and is richly worth a Telescopical observation of the industrious Astronomer.

Of the four Quarters of the Year,

Or the Suns ingress into the four Cardinal Points.

The Sun enters *Aries*, *March 9* d. 8 h. 9'. after noon, and then the Spring begins, and is naturally Hot and Moist.

The Sun enters *Cancer*, *June 10*: ten hours, 31 min. after noon, and then begins Summer, which is usually Hot and Dry.

The Sun enters *Libra*, *September 12*. 2 hours and 2 minutes afternoon, and then begins Autumn, which is ordinarily Cold and Dry.

The Sun enters *Capricorn*, *Decemb. 13*. at 2 in the morning, and then begins Winter, which is generally Cold and Moist.

Bright *Phæbus*, his Ecliptick Ring,

Makes Winter, Summer, Autumn, Spring.

A Table of Terms. 1685.

Hillary Term begins January 23. ends February 12.

Oftab. Hill.	January	20	21	22	23
Quind. Hill.	January	27	28	29	29
Craft. Purif.	February	3	4	5	6
Oftab. Purif.	February	10	11	12	12

Easter Term begins May 6. ends June 1.

Quind. Pasch.	May	4	5	6	6
Tres. Pasch.		11	12	13	14
Menf. Pasch.		13	19	20	21
Quinq. Pasch.		25	26	27	27
Craft. Ascen.		29	30	30	31

Trinity Term begins June 19. ends July 8.

Craft. Trin.	June	15	16	17	19
Oftab. Trin.		22	23	25	25
Quind. Trin.		29	30	31	1
Tres Trin.	July	6	7	8	8

Michaelmas Term begins Octob. 23. ends Novemb. 28.

Tres Mich.	October	20	21	22	23
Menf. Mich.	October	27	27	29	30
Craft. Anim.	Novemb.	3	4	4	6
Craft. Mart.	Novemb.	12	13	14	16
Oftab. Mars.	Novemb.	19	20	21	21
Quind. Mars.	Novemb.	26	26	27	28

A Regal Table from *Egbert* the first *Saxon* Monarch, to our
Sovereign Lord King *Charles the Second*.

Kings Names.	Reign began A. C.	Reign years.	Kings Names.	Reign began A. C.	Reign years.
<i>Egbert</i>	818	18	<i>Richard I.</i>	1189	10
<i>Ethelwolf</i>	826	21	<i>John</i>	1199	17
<i>Ethelbald</i>	857	6	<i>Henry III.</i>	1216	56
<i>Ethelred</i>	863	10	<i>Edward I.</i>	1273	35
<i>Alfred</i>	873	27	<i>Edward II.</i>	1307	19
<i>Edward I. Sax.</i>	900	24	<i>Edward III.</i>	1326	51
<i>Ethelstan</i>	924	16	<i>Richard II.</i>	1377	22
<i>Edmond I.</i>	940	6	Line of Lancaster.		
<i>Edred</i>	946	9			
<i>Edwyn</i>	955	4	<i>Henry IV.</i>	1399	13
<i>Egar</i>	959	20	<i>Henry V.</i>	1413	9
<i>Edward II. Sax.</i>	979	37	<i>Henry VI.</i>	1422	38
<i>Ethelred</i>	982	34	* Line of York.		
<i>Edmond II.</i>	1016	1			
Danish Line.			<i>Edward IV.</i>	1440	23
			<i>Edward V.</i>	1483	0
<i>Canutus</i>	1017	20	<i>Richard III.</i>	1483	2
<i>Harold I.</i>	1037	3	Families United.		
<i>Hardicanutus</i>	1040	2	<i>Henry VII.</i>	1485	24
<i>Edward Conf.</i>	1042	23	<i>Henry VIII.</i>	1508	40
<i>Harold II.</i>	1065	2	<i>Edward VI.</i>	1547	6
Norman Line.			<i>Queen Mary</i>	1553	5
			<i>Queen Elisabeth</i>	1558	44
<i>Will. Conqueror</i>	1066	20	Kingdoms United.		
<i>William Rufus</i>	1087	13			
<i>Henry I.</i>	1100	25	<i>King James</i>	1602	22
<i>Stephen</i>	1135	19	<i>Charles I.</i>	1625	24
			<i>Charles II.</i>	1648	35
Saxon Line restored.			Whom God Preserve.		
<i>Henry II.</i>	1154	35			

Although Kings may command the Crouching knee
They with more cares then others cumbred be.

A Table of Interest at six Pound per Cent.

	1 Month.			3 Months.			6 Months.			9 Months.			1 Year.			
	sh.	p.	q.	sh.	p.	q.	sh.	p.	q.	sh.	p.	q.	sh.	p.	q.	
Shillings	5	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	1	3	0	2	2	0	3	
	10	0	0	2	0	1	3	0	3	2	0	5	2	0	7	
	15	0	0	3	0	2	3	0	5	1	0	8	0	0	10	
	1	0	1	0	0	3	2	0	7	0	0	10	2	1	2	
	2	0	2	1	0	7	0	1	2	1	1	9	1	2	4	
Pounds.	3	0	3	2	0	10	2	1	9	1	2	7	3	3	6	
	4	0	4	3	1	2	1	2	4	2	3	6	3	4	9	
	5	0	6	0	1	6	0	3	0	0	4	6	0	6	0	
	6	0	7	0	1	9	2	3	7	0	5	4	2	7	2	
	7	0	8	1	2	1	0	4	2	1	6	3	1	8	4	
	8	0	9	2	2	4	2	4	9	1	7	1	3	9	6	
	9	0	10	3	2	8	1	5	4	2	8	0	3	10	9	
Tens of Pounds.		p.	sh.	p.	p.	sh.	p.	p.	sh.	p.	p.	sh.	p.	p.	sh.	p.
	10	0	1	0	0	3	0	0	6	0	0	9	0	0	12	0
	20	0	2	0	0	6	0	0	12	0	0	18	0	1	4	0
	30	0	3	0	0	9	0	0	18	0	1	7	0	1	16	0
	40	0	4	0	0	12	0	1	4	0	1	16	0	2	8	0
	50	0	5	0	0	15	0	1	10	0	2	5	0	3	0	0
	60	0	6	0	0	18	0	1	16	0	2	14	0	3	12	0
	70	0	7	0	1	1	0	2	2	0	3	3	0	4	4	0
	80	0	8	0	1	4	0	2	8	0	3	12	0	4	16	0
	90	0	9	0	1	7	0	2	14	0	4	1	0	5	8	0
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Those men do well who lend unto the Poor,
 Expecting nought of interest for't therefore;
 But he that lends to all, and none denies,
 Doth shew himself more kinder far then Wise.

January hath xxxi days.

First quarter 2 day, at 2 afternoon.

Full Moon 10 day, at 4 afternoon.

Last quarter 17 day, at 7 in the night.

New Moon 24 day, at 4 at night.

	Saints days.	place.	The change of the W.	Mutual Asp.
1	a Circumcisi.	10 10	The Year begins much	
2	b Abel	22 13	like the ending of th.	
3	c Enoch	4 0 4	last, with Snow, or	
4	d Mathusal.	15 55	fleet and cold.	
5	e	27 45		D Apogæ. 2
6	f Epiphany	9 II 40		□ h ♀ S
7	g	21 44	Inclining to Snow, and	□ ♂ ♀
8	a Erhard	4 0 0	Frost.	D 83
9	b	16 33	Tempestuous Weather.	
10	c	29 20		
11	d past Epiph.	12 25	Clearing again.	* 4 ♀
12	e	25 45		
13	f Hilary	9 III 15		
14	g Felix	23 0		
15	a	6 52	Windy and Frosty.	Δ 4 ♀
16	b	20 50		
17	c	4 III 53		
18	d past Epiph.	19 0		
19	e	3 2 9	Frosty and sharp Air.	* h ♂
20	f	17 21		D Periga.
21	g Agnes	IV 33		D 8
22	a	15 42		
23	b Term begins	29 42		
24	c	13 32		
25	d Conv. Paul	27 5		
26	e	10 X 18	Cloudy yet warmer.	
27	f Chry sostom	23 15	The Year ends with	
28	g	5 V 49	Animus meminisse hor-	Δ h ♀ & □
29	a	18 7	rety	(⊙ ♂
30	b K. Charles M.	9 0 10	Various weather and	
31	c	12 2	Cold blasts.	□ ⊙ 4

January. 1685.

This Month { *Saxons Wolf Monat.*
is called of the { *Latines Januarius.*
{ *Greeks Gamelion.* } *It is the 10 Month*
{ *Hebrews Tebet.* } *with the Hebrews.*

			O	R	S.
1	11	A Star in the Great Bears Thigh, South at	8	9	51
2	12	4 In the morning.	8	8	52
3	13	The Saxons called this Month <i>Wolf-Monat</i> ,	8	7	53
4	14	that is, <i>Wolf Month</i> , because they were always	8	6	54
5	15	wont to be more in danger this Month to be	8	4	55
6	16	devoured by <i>Wolves</i> , then in any other sea-	8	2	56
7	17	son of the Year, for those ravenous Beasts	8	1	58
8	18	(through the extremity of Cold, and plenty	8	0	60
9	19	of Snow) could not find other living Creatures	7	5	4
10	20	sufficient to feed upon. <i>Versf. Nat. Orig. p. 59.</i>	7	5	3
11	21	The 7 Stars South 20 m. past 7 at night.	7	5	3
12	22	The <i>Latins</i> called this Month <i>Janus</i> from an	7	5	4
13	23	ancient King of <i>Italy</i> , who for his Wisdom was	7	5	4
14	24	Painted with two Faces, the one looking back to	7	5	4
15	25	the Old Year, and the other forward to the	7	5	4
16	26	New. <i>Peach. p. 127.</i>	7	4	12
17	27	On the 30 of this Month King <i>Charles 1.</i> of	7	4	14
18	28	ever blessed memory, was by his Subjects [a nest	7	4	16
19	29	of Religious Cut-throats] Murdered before	7	4	17
20	30	his own Palace Gate at <i>Whitehall</i>	7	4	15
21	31	He was Inter'd at <i>Windsor</i> , in a Coffin of	7	3	21
22	32	Lead, and a Loyal Gentleman standing by threw	7	3	23
23	33	this Distich into the Vault with him,	7	3	24
24	34		7	3	26
25	35	Non <i>Carolus magnus, nec Carolus Quintus</i>	7	3	28
26	36	Sed <i>Carolus Agnus, hic jacet intus.</i>	7	3	30
27	37		7	2	32
28	38	Not <i>Charles</i> the Great, nor <i>Charles</i> the Fifth	7	2	34
29	39	lies here,	7	2	36
30	40	But <i>Charles</i> the Lamb ! A Prince without a	7	2	38
31	41	Peer.	7	2	40

Febuary hath xxvi. days.

First quarter near noon 1 day.

Full Moon 9 day, at 6 in the morning.

Last quarter 16 day, at 4 in the morning.

New Moon 23 day, at 6 in the morning.

	Saints days,	place.	The change of the We.	Mutual Af.
1	4 th past Epiph.	23 51	Clouds and Wind	☾ Apogæ.
2	Candlemas	5 II 39		
3	Blaise	17 32		
4		29 37		☐ 4 ♀
5	Agatha	11 55	Snow or sleet	* ♂ ♀, ☉
6		24 37	Stormy and Windy, near	(♀ ♂)
7		7 38	these days	☐ ♂ ♀
8	5 th past Epiph.	21 1		
9	Apollon	4 III 45		
10		18 44	inclining to Frost and	△ 4 ♀
11		2 57	sharp Air	
12	Term ends	17 15		
13		2 III 33		
14	Valentine	15 47		
15	Septuages.	29 56		☾ perigæ.
16	Juliana	13 57		☾ ☽
17		27 51		
18		11 VS 41		
19	Sim. Ap.	25 22		
20		8 57	Turbulent and Stormy	
21	Elia	22 21	weather near this time	8 ☉ ☿
22	Sextagesim.	5 35		
23		18 35		
24	St. Matthias	1 V 20		
25		13 50		△ 4 ♀
26		26 3	Rain towards the ends	
27		8 6	of the Month	△ 4 ♀
28	Carag.	19 58		☾ Apogæ.

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February 1685.

This Month is called of the { Saxons *Sprout Kele*
 { Latines *Februarius*
 { Greeks *Elaphebolion* } *Is the 11 Month*
 { Hebrews *Shabar* } *with the Hebrews.*

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1	11	7	18
2	12	7	17
3	13	7	15
4	14	7	13
5	15	7	11
6	16	7	9
7	17	7	7
8	18	7	5
9	19	7	3
10	20	7	1
11	21	6	59
12	22	6	57
13	23	6	54
14	24	6	52
15	25	6	50
16	26	6	48
17	27	6	46
18	28	6	44
19	29	6	42
20	30	6	40
21	31	6	38
22	1	6	36
23	2	6	34
24	3	6	32
25	4	6	30
26	5	6	29
27	6	6	27
28	7	6	25
29	8	6	24
30	9	6	23

March hath xxxi days.

First quarter the 3 day, at 8 in the morning.

Full Moon 10 day, at 7 at night,

Last quarter 17 day, at 10 aforenoon.

New Moon 24 day at 9 at night.

M	W	Saints days.	Place.	The change of the W.	Mutual Aff.
1	M	Quinquage.	1 II 48	Prasty air and Cold.	
2	T		13 35		
3	F	Shrove-Tues	25 27		♂ ♀ ♀
4	M	Ash-Wednes	7 30		♂ ♂
5	T	Eusebius	19 49	Fair most part now	
6	W		28 29		
7	T		15 36		
8	F	1 Sund. Lent	29 9		
9	M	Prudentius	13 7	Cloudy and overcast.	
10	T		27 9		
11	W		12 8		
12	Th	Gregory	26 52		
13	F		11 34		
14	M		20 10		♂ Perigæ
15	T	2 Sun. Lent	10 33	Stormy, Cloudy and	□ ♂ ♀ ♀
16	W		24 40	Tempestuous weather	♂ h ♀ ♀
17	Th		8 25	for many days toge-	♂ ♂
18	F	Gabriel	22 8	ther, near this time.	♂ ♀ ♀
19	M		5 34		△ ♂ ♂
20	T		18 45	Very various weather	
21	W		1 51		
22	Th	3 Sun. Lent	14 42		
23	F	Gotfridus	27 23		
24	M		9 53	Rain and sleet, and	□ h ♂
25	T	Annu. Virg	22 11	sometimes Snow.	
26	W		4 19		
27	Th	Jo. Extm	16 18		
28	F		28 10	Cloudy and overcast,	♂ ♂ ♀
29	M	4 Sund. Lent	9 59	yet soon clearing again.	♂ Apogæ
30	T		21 46		
31	W	Balbina	3 39		♂ ♂

March. 1685.

This Month is called of the { Saxons *Lenē-Monāt.*
 { Latines *Martius.*
 { Greeks *Mounichyon.*
 { Hebrews *Adar.* } *It is the 12. Month with the Hebrews.*

		R. S.	
1	11	6	24 39
2	12	6	26 40
3	13	6	18 41
4	14	6	16 44
5	15	6	14 46
6	16	5	11 48
7	17	5	8 51
8	18	6	6 54
9	19	6	4 56
10	20	6	2 58
11	21	5	0 0
12	22	5	38 2
13	23	5	56 4
14	24	5	54 6
15	25	5	52 8
16	26	5	50 10
17	27	5	48 12
18	28	5	46 14
19	29	5	44 16
20	30	5	42 18
21	31	5	40 20
22		5	38 22
23		5	36 24
24		5	34 26
25	4	5	32 27
26	5	5	30 30
27	6	5	28 32
28	7	5	26 34
29	8	5	24 36
30	9	5	22 38
31	10	5	20 40

April hath xxx days.

First quarter 2 day, at 2 in the morning.

Full Moon 9 day, at 4 in the morning.

Last quarter 15 day, at 7 at night.

New Moon 23 day, at 1 afternoon.

	Saints days.	D place.	The change of the W.	Mutual Asp.
1	Theodosius	15 541	Gentle April weather,	
2		27 59	and not so much rain,	
3		10 37	as usually at the be-	
4	Ambrose	23 40	ginning.	△ ♂ ♀
5	5 Sun. Lent	7 113		
6		21 15	Cloudy, Windy, and	8 ♀ ♀
7		5 44	overcast now.	
8	Dionysius	20 35		
9		5 39		
10		20 44	gentle gales of Wind	△ ♂ ♀
11		5 43		♂ perigee
12	Palm Sun.	20 23		8 ♀ ♀
13		4 57	gentle April showers	
14		18 47	which will bring May	
15	Olympia	2 26	Flowers	
16		15 44	Winds are now stirring	♂ ☉ ♀
17		28 47		△ h ♀
18		11 35		
19	Easter day	24 11	Some misting or Rain	△ ☉ h
20		6 35		
21		18 50		
22		0 57		
23	St. George	12 58	Generally this Month	
24		24 50	proves very seasonable	♂ Apogee
25	St. Mark	6 42	and temperate.	
26	Low Sun.	18 30		♂ ♀
27		0 22		
28	Vitalism	12 18		
29	Sybilla	24 23	Cloudy and overcast to-	
30		6 41	ward the Month end.	

April. 1685.

This Month is called of the { Saxons *Ostra-Monat.*
{ Latines *Aprilis.*
{ Greeks *Thargelion.*
{ Hebrews *Abib* or *Nisan.* } It is the 1 Month with the Hebrews.

			☉	R	☾	S
1	11	* The foremost in the <i>Dragons head</i> South	5	18	6	42
2	12	at four in the morning.	5	16	6	44
3	13		5	12	6	48
4	14	The <i>Saxons</i> called this Month, <i>Ostra-Monat,</i>	5	10	6	50
5	15	because the Winds by ancient observation, were	5	8	6	52
6	16	found most commonly to blow from the East.	5	6	6	54
7	17	<i>Verst. p. 60.</i>	5	5	6	55
8	18		5	3	6	57
9	19	* The last in the <i>Dragons head</i> , South at	5	2	6	58
10	20	four in the morning.	5	0	7	0
11	21	The <i>Latins</i> called this Month <i>Aprilis</i> , ab	4	5	7	3
12	22	<i>aperiende</i> from opening, because in this Month	4	5	7	5
13	23	all things begin to open and spread in the Flow-	4	5	7	7
14	24	er: So <i>Ovid</i> ———	4	5	7	9
15	25	<i>Aprilem memorant ab aperto tempore dicta.</i>	4	4	7	11
16	26		4	4	7	13
17	27		4	4	7	16
18	28	* The bright Star in the <i>Harp</i> South at	4	4	7	18
19	29	four in the morning.	4	4	7	20
20	30		4	3	7	22
21			4	3	7	24
22	May	The <i>Great Dog</i> sets 16 minutes past 8 at	4	3	7	26
23		night.	4	3	7	28
24		<i>Virgins Spike</i> is South 25 minutes past 10	4	3	7	30
25		at night.	4	2	7	32
26		Physick is now very profitable; Purge, Vomit,	4	2	7	34
27		and let Blood; but abstain from Wine and	4	2	7	37
28		Strong drink, for it more defiles the Blood in	4	2	7	39
29		this Month, then in any other.	4	2	7	40
30	19		4	1	7	41

May hath xxxi days.

First quarter 1 day, at 4 afternoon.

Full Moon 8 day, at 10 a forenoon.

Last quarter 15 day, at 4 in the morning.

New Moon 23 day, at 6 in the morning.

First quarter 31 day, at 3 in the morning.

S	S	Saints days.	D	place	The change of the W.	Mutual Asp.
1	h	Phil. & Jac.	19	17	April was not so sea-	□ h ♀
2	c		21	16	sonable, and tempe-	△ h ♀
3	D	2 past Easter	15	42	rate, but May will	8 ♂ ♀
4	e		29	37	prove as Stormy and	△ 4 ♀
5	f		14	1	Tempestuous, and shall	
6	g	Joh. ante port	28	50	be so near the begin-	
7	a	Term begins	13	57	ning of it, and also	
8	b	Stanislaus	29	13	near the 9, 10, and	
9	c		14	24	11 days.	☽ Perige
10	D	3 past Easter	29	26		□ h ♂
11	e		14	VS 5		☽ 83
12	f		28	19		
13	g	ervatius	12	8		
14	a		25	30		
15	h		8	30		
16	c		21	10	Wind and Rain or	
17	D	4 past Easter	3	37	else inclinable to Thun-	8 ○ ♂
18	e		15	30	der, and is soon in the	
19	f		27	54	Year for Thunder.	
20	g	Bernard	9	52		
21	a		21	45	Again more Rain	□ ○ h
22	b		3	36	and Wind.	☽ Apogæ.
23	c		15	27		8 ♂ ♀
24	D	5 past Easter	27	19		△ ○ 4
25	e		9	17		☽ 83
26	f		21	20	Something fair for	
27	g	Reda	3	33	a while.	□ 4 ♀
28	a	Holy Thurs.	15	57		
29	b	K. Ch. 2. born	28	37	Dropping again.	
30	c	and return	11	36	Clearing up a little	
31	D	6 past Easter	24	56	at the end.	

May 1685.

This Month is called of the { Saxons *Trimilke.*
Latines Maius.
Greeks Scirophorion.
Hebrews Ziv. } *It is the 2 Month with the Hebrews.*

			R	S
1	11		4	17 7 41
2	12	<i>Spica Virginis South at 10 at night.</i>	4	15 7 45
3	13	The Pleasant and Beautiful Month of <i>May</i> ,	4	14 7 46
4	14	the Old Saxons called it <i>Trimilke</i> , because they	4	12 7 48
5	15	used then to Milk their Kine three times in the	4	10 7 50
6	16	day.	4	8 7 52
7	17		4	7 7 53
8	18		4	5 7 55
9	19	<i>Antares or Scorpions Heart South near mid-</i>	4	3 7 57
10	20	night.	4	2 7 58
11	21	The Latins termed this Month <i>Maius</i> from	4	1 7 59
12	22	<i>Maia</i> a Goddess, and Mother of nimble <i>Mercuri-</i>	4	0 8 00
13	23	<i>ry</i> , and they did use to Sacrifice to her in this	3	59 0 1
14	24	Month. Others say its called so a <i>Majomibla</i> .	3	58 0 2
15	25	because <i>Romulus</i> divided the People of <i>Rome</i>	3	56 0 4
16	26	into two parts, <i>Majores</i> and <i>Minores</i> , and	3	54 0 6
17	27	<i>May</i> was called so in honour of the elder, and	3	53 0 7
18	28	<i>June</i> of the younger, according to <i>Ovid</i> ;	3	51 0 9
19	29		3	50 0 10
20	30	<i>Hinc sua majores tribuere vocabula Maio,</i>	3	49 0 11
21	31	<i>Junius a juvenum nomine datus ad Junem</i>	3	48 0 12
22			3	47 0 13
23		Now every Garden and Hedge, affords thee	3	46 0 14
24		Food and Physick. Rise early, walk in the	3	45 0 15
25		Fields, by running streams of Water, and	3	44 0 16
26		feast thy Lungs with the fresh Air. Sage and	3	43 0 17
27		sweet Butter is an excellent Break-fast. Clarified	3	42 0 18
28		Whey, with Sage Scurvy grats Ale, and	3	41 0 19
29		Wormwood-beer, are now very wholesome.	3	40 0 20
30			3	40 0 20
31			3	40 0 20

June hath xxx days.

Full Moon 6 day, at 6 afternoon.

Last quarter 13 day, at 4 afternoon.

New Moon 21 day, at 8 afternoon.

First quarter 29 day, at 10 afternoon.

Days of the month.		Days of the month.	The change of the W.	Mutual Asp.
1	Nicomed.	8	Term ends	
2		22	Fair, and Hot, and	
3		7	shortly after cooling	
4	Quirinus	22	gales of Wind	
5		7	God grant the Empe-	D Perige.
6		22	ror and the King of	D Eclipsed
7	Whit-Sund.	7	Poland, the necks of	invisible.
8		22	Turks and Teckelians.	♂ ☉ ♀
9	Barnim	7	Winds are high now if	♂ ♀ ♀
10		21	place he Calculated	
11	St. Barnabas	4	true within 2. degrees	
12		17	which I dare not swear	
13		6	positively that it is.	
14	Trinity Sun	12	I matter not what	
15		24	some late pretended	
16	Rulandus	6	Astrologers have writ,	
17		18	concerning the great	
18	Homer	6	Turks over-running,	
19	Term begins	12	and finding himself	♂ ☉ ♀
20		24	Master of a great part	D Apoga.
21	1st post Trinit.	6	of Christendom, for I	D ☉
22		18	am confident he shall	
23		6	never over-run and	♂ ♀ ♀
24	St. John Bapt.	12	Conquer all Hungary,	♂ ☉ ♀
25		24	though he tuck long	♂ ♀ ♀
26		3	since conquered the most	♂ ☉ ♀
27	7 Sleepers.	21	part of it. But it seems	
28	2nd post Trinit.	4	we must have Enche-	
29	St. Pet. & Paul	14	riste, and Quakers in	
30		2	Astrology as well as in	
			Theology.	

June 1685.

This Month is called of the Saxons *Weyd-Monat.* Latines *Junius.* Greeks *Ekatombaion.* Hebrews *Sivan.* It is the 3 Month with the Hebrews.

1	11		3	40	8	20
2	12	* The bright Star in <i>Cepheus Girdle</i> South	3	40	8	20
3	13	at 4 in the morning.	3	40	8	20
4	14	<i>Antares, or Scorpions Heart</i> South 41 min.	3	40	8	20
5	15	past 10 at night.	3	39	8	21
6	16	The Saxons called this Month <i>Weyd-Monat,</i>	3	39	8	21
7	17	because their Beasts did then <i>Weid</i> in the Mea-	3	39	8	21
8	18	dows, that is to say, go to feed there. A Mea-	3	39	8	21
9	19	dow in the <i>Tenconick</i> is called <i>Weyd.</i>	3	39	8	21
10	20	The 7 Stars South 30 min. after 9 at night.	3	39	8	21
11	21	The Latines called this Month <i>Junius,</i> either	3	39	8	21
12	22	<i>Juvenibus,</i> as I said before in <i>May,</i> or else	3	39	8	21
13	23	from <i>Junius Brutus,</i> who was made Consul this	3	39	8	21
14	24	Month, and was the Author of their Liberty.	3	39	8	21
15	25		3	39	8	21
16	26		3	39	8	21
17	27		3	39	8	21
18	28	<i>Antares, or Scorpions Heart</i> South 40 min.	3	40	8	20
19	29	past 9 at night.	3	40	8	20
20	30	<i>Fornahant</i> South at 4 in the morning.	3	40	8	20
21		Beware of lying on the Ground this Month	3	41	8	19
22		and of drinking too hastily, or much when you	3	41	8	19
23		are hot.	3	41	8	19
24	4	Let honest labour, and moderate exercise,	3	42	8	18
25	5	procure your Sweat. To lie too much or	3	44	8	16
26	6	long upon the lower Sheer, is very hurtful for	3	44	8	16
27	7	the Body this Month. A sparing and a thin	3	45	8	15
28	8	diet is best. B 2	3	46	8	14
29	9		3	47	8	13
30	10		3	48	8	12

July hath xxxi days.

Full Moon 6 day, at 4 in the morning.

East quarter 13 day, at 9 a forenoon.

New Moon 21 day, at 10 a forenoon.

First quarter 28 day, at 4 afternoon.

Saints days.		D place.		The change of the W.		Mutual Asp.	
1	g	Theobald	16	47			
2	a	Victr. V. Ma.	1	23	Temperate, seasonable	*	
3	b		16	9	near the beginnig.	D	Perigæ.
4	c		12	VS 4		D	8
5	D	3 past Trin.	15	59			
6	e		6	46	Overcast and Clondy,		
7	f		15	12	but soon after Hot again,	Δ	♀ ♀
8	g	Term ends	28	18	though some Rain fall		
9	a	Cyrrillus	12	X 55	on the 5 or 6 days of		
10	b	7 Brethren	25	5	this Month.		
11	c		8	V 50			
12	D	4 past Trin.	21	13			
13	e		5	19	Though ♂ hath been	*	♂ ♀
14	f		15	15	in Δ of ☉ ♀ ♀ this	□	4 ♀
15	g	S. Swithin	27	5	Month yet all are too	Δ	♂ ♂
16	a		8	II 50	weak to make the Turk	D	Apogæ
17	b		20	42	Master of all Hungary.	D	8
18	c		25	38	nor will they help him		
19	D	1 past Trinis.	14	45	to hold his own from		
20	e		27	3	the Venetians. But whe-		
21	f		9	35	ther the Δ will make	*	4 ♀
22	g	Mary Magd.	22	19	the Christian-Tu-		
23	a		5	IX 19	teach his Sword the	Δ	♂ ♀
24	b		18	29	wis; to distinguish be-		
25	c	Ss. James	1	52	tween Hererick and		
26	D	6 past Trin.	15	23	Catholick, or not, I		
27	e	Mariha	27	7	will not affirm; yet		
28	f		13	M	believe he will (in pa-		
29	g	Beatrice	27	2	licy) be more submissive	♂	♂ ♂
30	a		11	X 17	to the Bishop of Rome	*	4 ♀
31	b	German	25	40	then formerly.	*	♂ 4

July, 1685.

This Month is called of the Saxons *Hey-Monat.* Latines *Julius.* Greeks *Metageiinion.* Hebrews *Tamuz.* *It is the 4. Month with the Hebrews.*

1	11	The <i>scorpions Heart</i> South 45 min. past 8	43	9	11
2	12	at night.	50	8	10
3	13	The <i>Saxons</i> called this Month, <i>Hey-Monath</i>	51	8	9
4	14	or <i>Hew-Monath</i> , because therein, they usually	52	8	8
5	15	Mowed and made Hey or Hay,	53	8	7
6	16		54	8	6
7	17		56	8	4
8	18	The Head of <i>Andromeda</i> , and the Back of	58	8	2
9	19	<i>Cassiopeia's</i> Chair are both South at 1 in the	59	8	1
10	20	morning.	60	8	0
11	21	This Month was by the <i>Latines</i> called <i>Jul-</i>	17	39	
12	22	<i>ius</i> , from <i>Julius Caesar</i> , the First founder of	27	38	
13	23	their Monarchy. which was the greatest and	37	37	
14	24	shall be the last that ever this World must see;	57	35	
15	25	Before it was called <i>Quintilis</i> ; and then the	77	33	
16	26	<i>Latines</i> had but 10 Months in their Year, for	97	31	
17	27	<i>Romulus</i> knew better how to Conquer his	107	30	
18	28	Neighbours then to count Stars.	127	28	
19	29	<i>Procyon</i> , or the lesser Dogstar riseth now	147	26	
20	30	Cosmically, from whence these following days,	167	24	
21	31	<i>viz.</i> from 19 instant to August 28 are called	197	21	
22		Dog days.	217	19	
23		Beware of Purging, Vomiting, or Bleeding,	237	17	
24		whilst the influence of the Dogstar ruleth.	257	15	
25	4	Though it pleased <i>Cardan</i> to say, <i>Canis non</i>	267	14	
26	5	<i>mordet in Anglia</i> ; yet if he spoke Absolutely,	287	12	
27	6	and not Comparatively, I must needs say,	307	10	
28	7	<i>Cardanus non omnia videt.</i>	317	10	
29	8	This Month eat no strong Meats, nor drink	337	9	
30	9	over much strong Dring, beware of violent	357	7	
31	10	Heats and sudden Colds.	377	5	

August hath xxxi days.

Full Moon 4 day, at 10 aforenoon.
 Last quarter 11 day, at 11 in the night.
 New Moon 19 day, at 10 at night.
 First quarter 26 day, at 10 at night.

	Sainte days.	In place.	The change of the W.	Mutual Aff.
1	Lammas	10VS 9	Gentle weather and	
2	7 th post Trin.	24 39	seasonable at the be-	
3	Dominic.	9 th 5	ginning.	
4		23 20	And we hope the Turk	
5		7X18	hath not yet forgot	
6	Sixtus pa.	20 53	what the valiant King	
7		4Y 4	of Poland, and the impe-	
8		16 52	rialists did to his Ar-	
9	8 th post Trinit.	29 17	my the last year, at	
10		11U 25	Vienna, Gran, Buda,	☐♂♀
11		23 21	&c. some of which pla-	
12	Clare	5II 6	ces may see, if he will	☐♂♀
13		16 55	be fair and good com-	☐♂♀
14		28 46	pany, but he must ne-	☐♂♀
15	Assump. Mar.	10O 42	ver again have either	♂h♀♀
16	9 th post Trinit.	22 52	fair or forceable pos-	
17		5C 20	session of them.	
18		18 7	About the 13, 14, 15,	♂♀♀
19	Helena	1MY 10	and 16 days you may	
20	Sebaldu	14 33	expect some rain, and	
21		28 9	at this time no less.	
22		11M 56		
23	10 th post Trin.	25 51		
24	St. Bartholo	9M 51		☐h♂
25		23 53		
26	Ireneus	7Z 55		
27		21 58		☐Perige.
28		6VS 2	Seasonable Weather	☐♂
29	Decollas. J.B.	10 7	concludes the Month.	
30	11 th post Trin.	4 th 10		
31		18 9		

August. 1685.

This Month is called of the Saxons *Arn-Monat*, Latines *Augustus*, Greeks *Boedromion*, Hebrews *Ab*. It is the 5 Month with the Hebrews,

			O	R	O
1	11		4	56	7 2
2	12	The bright Star in <i>Cassiopeias Leg</i> South at 4	4	38	7 2
3	13	4 in the morning.	4	40	7 2
4	14	First * in the <i>Rams Horn</i> South at 4 in the	4	42	7 1
5	15	morning.	4	45	7 1
6	16	The Saxons called this Month, <i>Arn-Monat</i> ,	4	47	7 1
7	17	but more rightly <i>Barn-Monat</i> , intending there	4	49	7 1
8	18	by the then filling of their Barns with Corn.	4	51	7 1
9	19	<i>Verfleg. 61.</i>	4	54	7 1
10	20	The lower Wing of the <i>Swan</i> South 32 m.	4	56	7 1
11	21	past 10 at night.	4	58	7 1
12	22	The Latines called this Month <i>Augustus</i> , and	4	59	7 1
13	23	Dedicated it to the honour of <i>Augustus Caesar</i> ,	5	16	57
14	24	because he was the first time created <i>Consul</i>	5	18	57
15	25	in this Month, thrice triumphed in <i>Rome</i> , sub-	5	56	54
16	26	dued <i>Egypt</i> to the <i>Roman Empire</i> , and made	5	66	51
17	27	an end of the Civil Wars; before this Month	5	86	50
18	28	was called <i>Sextilis</i> , or the sixth from <i>March</i> ,	5	106	48
19	29	<i>Peacem. 125.</i>	5	126	46
20	30	Beware of Purging, Vomiting, and Blood-	5	146	44
21	31	letting especially when the Air is hot, for then	5	166	42
22		the <i>Dogstar</i> will bite both by his Manifest and	5	186	40
23		Occult quality---To eat Sage is wholesome---	5	206	38
24		All Meats and Herbs that are moderately cold	5	226	36
25		of quality are wholesome. A glass of brisk	5	246	34
26		Wine moderately taken is good.	5	266	32
27			5	286	30
28			5	306	28
29			5	326	28
30		<i>Fomalhaut</i> South 26 minutes past 11 at	5	335	27
31		night. B 4	5	345	25

September hath xxx days.

Full Moon 2 day, at 9 at night.

Last quarter 10 day, at 6 at night.

New Moon 18 day, at 10 aforesnoon.

First quarter 25 day, at 4 in the morning.

Saints days.		D place.		The change of the W.		Mutual A.	
1	f	Egidius	2	X	o	Rainy and Cloudy	* 4 8
2	g	Rachel	15	37	weather at the begin-	o o h	
3	n		28	58	ning.		
4	b		12	V	1 In 1683 on the 2 of		
5	c		24	46	this Month on our ac-		
6	d	12 past Trin.	12	9	count, but 12 on the		
7	e		19	17	forrein account, was		
8	f	Nat. V. Mary	1	12	obtained that great		
9	g		12	58	Victory against the	Apogee	
10	a		24	46	Turkish Army at Vi-		
11	b		6	34	enna, which if it had		
12	c		18	32	gone the other way all	o 4 8	
13	d	13 past Trin	9	34	the Christian World	o o 8	
14	e	Exalt. Crois	13	15	had been in great dan-	8 4 2	
15	f		26	8	ger of ruin: For which		
16	g		19	24	mercy we are bound for		
17	a		23	2	ever so praise God, and	o 8 8	
18	b		7	2	to Pray for the King of		
19	c		12	17	Poland.		
20	d	14 past Trin	5	59	The 14, 15, 16, and		
21	e	St. Matthew	20	6	17 day, Rain some		
22	f		4	29	times, and Winds and		
23	g		18	46	Overcast other some,		
24	a		2	55			
25	b		16	53	Fair and warm the	Perigee	
26	c	Cyprian	o	46	season of the Tear con-	* 8 2	
27	d	15 past Trin.	14	28	sidered.		
28	e		28	1			
29	f	St. Michael	11	24	Winds a little stir-	o 4 8	
30	g	Jerom	24	37	ring.		

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{ Saxons *Gerst-Monnt.*
 This Month { Latines *September.* It is the 6 Month
 is called of the { Greeks *Μαινακτηριον.* with the Hebrews.
 { Hebrews *Elul.*

F. 12.		D. 12.	
1	11	Pomabaur South 20 minutes past 11 at night,	5 37 6 23
2	12		5 39 6 23
3	13	The 7 Stars South at 4 in the morning.	5 41 6 18
4	14	The Saxons called this Month <i>Gerst-Monnt.</i>	5 43 6 17
5	15	that is, <i>Barly Month</i> , for that Barly which this	5 45 6 15
6	16	Month commonly yielded, they called <i>Gerst.</i>	5 48 6 12
7	17	and they made Drink therewith, called Beer,	5 50 6 10
8	18	and from Beerlegh, it was afterwards called	5 52 6 8
9	19	Berlegh, and at length from Berlegh it was	5 54 6 6
10	20	called Barly.	5 56 6 4
11	21	This wholesome liquor Beer, anciently cal	5 59 6 2
12	22	led Ale (and is so now by the Danes) was first	6 0 6 0
13	23	invented by the Germans. <i>Verffag. p. 61.</i>	6 2 5 58
14	24		6 4 5 56
15	25		6 6 5 54
16	26		6 8 5 52
17	27		6 10 5 50
18	28	* in <i>Berleus's</i> right Shoulder South at 4 in	6 13 5 47
19	29	the morning.	6 15 5 45
20	30	The Latines called this Month <i>September</i> as	6 17 5 43
21	1	being the Seventh Month inclusive from <i>March.</i>	6 19 5 41
22	2	<i>Libra</i> is the sign, and an indifferent Arbitr	6 21 5 39
23	3	between the day and night, weighing to each	6 23 5 37
24	4	his equal hours according to the Prince of	6 25 5 35
25	5	Latine Poets.	6 28 5 32
26	6	<i>Libra dixit, somnique pares ubi fecerat horas</i>	6 30 5 30
27	7	This Month is good for Physick and Blood-	6 32 5 28
28	8	letting; now take Diet drinks, several Morn	6 34 5 26
29	9	ings together, to prevent Diseases in Winter	6 36 5 24
30	10	and to preserve your Bodies in health till the	6 38 5 22
		next Spring.	

October hath xxxi days.

Full Moon 2 day, at 11 aforesoon.

Last quarter 10 day, at 2 afternoon.

New Moon 17 day, at 9 at night.

First quarter 24 day, at 1 afternoon.

Days	Days.	place.	The change of the W.	Mutual Aff.
1	a	Remigius	7 V 38	What now? Inclining
2	b		20 22	to Frost now? Which
3	c		20 32	some Years, hath been
4	d	16 past Trin.	15 10	warmier then the last
5	e		27 15	May.
6	f	Aurelia.	9 II 10	God grant the Empe
7	g		20 59	raur and the King of
8	a		20 46	Poland, the Necks of
9	b		14 36	all Turks and Tecke-
10	c	Gedeon	26 32	lians in this Month and
11	d	17 past Trin.	8 R 43	all the Months of this
12	e		21 11	Year till none be left.
13	f		4 M 2	Wind and Rain near
14	g	Calixtus	17 19	this time.
15	a	ledgwig	2 2 4	
16	b		15 13	Fair and Frosty.
17	c		29 44	
18	d	18 past Trin.	14 M 32	St. Luke Evangelist.
19	e	Clipping	29 25	
20	f	Anthony	14 15	
21	g		28 55	Gilbert and Lily in
22	a		13 V 23	conjundion.
23	b	Severin	27 34	
24	c	Term begins	11 M 25	Crispin the Prince of
25	d	19 past Trin.	24 59	Shoomakers.
26	e		8 X 19	A manifest change of
27	f		21 23	the weather.
28	g	S. Sim. & Jude	4 V 15	
29	a		16 50	
30	b		29 16	
31	c	Wolfgang	11 O 32	Inclined to Frost.

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This Month { Saxons *Win-Monat.*
{ Latines *October.*
{ Greeks *Pyanepsson.*
{ Hebrews *Tisri.* } It is the 7 Month
with the Hebrews.

M. D.		L. O. S.	
1	11	6	40 5 20
2	12	6	42 5 18
3	13	6	44 5 16
4	14	6	46 5 14
5	15	6	48 5 12
6	16	6	50 5 10
7	17	6	52 5 8
8	18	6	54 5 6
9	19	6	57 5 2
10	20	6	57 5 1
11	21	7	1 4 59
12	22	7	3 4 57
13	23	7	5 4 55
14	24	7	7 4 53
15	25	7	9 4 51
16	26	7	11 4 49
17	27	7	13 4 47
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31	10	7	41 4 19

November hath xxx days.

Full Meon 1 day, at 2 in the morning.

Last quarter 9 day, at 9 in the morning.

New Moon 16 day, at 6 in the morning.

First quarter 22 day, at midnight.

Full Moon 30 day, at 10 in the night.

	Days	Place	The change of the W.	Mutual A
1	All Saint	23 39	This Month begins	☐♂♀
2	All Souls	5 37	with Winterly weather	☐h♀
3	Winifride	17 30	and so continues for	♂4♀
4		29 19	some days, being Snowy,	☐♂4
5	Powder Plot	17 9	Stormy, and Tempe-	☐Apog
6		23 21	stuous.	
7		5 21		
8	23 past Trin.	17 11		
9		29 37		
10	Martin P.	12 23	Frost and Cold.	*☉h
11	Martin Bish.	25 38		
12		9 11	Frosty yet Fair.	*4♀
13		23 16		
14		7 19		
15	22 past Trin.	22 43		*h♀
16		7 30		☐♂
17		23 1		
18	Hezechias	8 VS 1	I cannot think the	
19	Elizabeth	23 5	French King will not	☐Perig
20		7 24	be so unsuccessful as	
21	Ohl. V. Mary	21 29	some would have him.	
22	23 past Trin.	5 7	But what they have	
23		18 23	writ against him, I	
24		1 17	wish it may fall upon	
25	Katharine	13 53	the Turkish Emperour.	
26	Conradus	26 28		
27		8 29	Windy, and Cloudy,	
28	Term ends	20 32	and Dark, with flakes	♂☉♀
29	Advent	2 29	of Snow towards the	☐h♀
30	St. Andrew	14 21	Months end.	☐Eclipse
				Visible.

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Saxons *Wind-Monat.* } *is the 11th*
This Month } *Latines* *November.* } *is the 9th*
is called of the } *Greeks* *Antheſterion.* } *which the Hebrews.*
Hebrews *Bullab* } *Full Moon*

11	The bright Star in <i>Caster</i> South at 4 in the m.	7 44 17
12	The bright Star in <i>Pollux</i>	7 46 14
13	The <i>Saxons</i> called this Month <i>Wind-Monat.</i>	7 49 11
14	that is, <i>Wind-Month</i> , because that then the	7 51 9
15	<i>Winds</i> were usually high; especially at the be-	7 54 8
16	ginning of it, when the Sun opposeth <i>Vergilie</i> ,	7 54 6
17	<i>pleiades</i> , which is about the 5, 6, 7, and 8	7 55 5
18	days, the weather seldom falling of being	7 57 3
19	Winter like, if not down right Turbulent, and	7 58 2
20	if the beginning of this Month be not so, then	8 0 0
21	say, that I am not weather-wise, but other-	8 1 59
22	wife.	8 2 58
23	The best Physick this Month is warm Cloaths,	8 3 57
24	good Diet, and strong Drink; the best exer-	8 4 56
25	cise is Hunting, or Tracing Hares; but be sure	8 5 55
26	that (the Park or Lordship be your own, and	8 6 54
27	then you need not fear an Indictment, nor a	8 7 53
28	fine at the next Sessions.	8 8 52
29	The <i>Latines</i> called this Month <i>November</i> ,	8 9 51
30	because it is the 9 Month from <i>March</i> .	8 10 50
Decem	<i>Aldebaran</i> South 35 m. past 1 at night.	8 11 49
4	The best Physick this Month is warm Cloaths,	8 12 48
5	good Diet, and strong Drink; the best exer-	8 13 47
6	cise is Hunting, or Tracing Hares; but be sure	8 14 46
7	that (the Park or Lordship be your own, and	8 15 45
8	then you need not fear an Indictment, nor a	8 16 44
9	fine at the next Sessions.	8 17 43
10	The <i>Latines</i> called this Month <i>November</i> ,	8 18 42
11	because it is the 9 Month from <i>March</i> .	8 19 41

December hath xxxi days.

Last quarter 9 day, at 1 in the morning.

New Moon 15 day, at 6 in the night.

First quarter 22 day, at 6 at night.

Full Moon 30 day at 6 at night.

Days	place	The change of the W.	Mutual Asp
1 f Longinus	26 II 12	No very great alteration in the weather	D 83
2 g	8 5	follows the last Eclipse	D. Apog.
3 a	19 56	yet.	
4 b	18 55		
5 c	14 0		
6 d Advent	26 8	Inclined to Frost and	□ h 2
7 e	8 III 43	some Snow.	* 2 2
8 f Con. V. Ma.	20 27		
9 g	4 31	Snowy and sleety for	□ 2 h
10 a	17 59	some days.	
11 b Damasus	1 III 53	Clearing again.	
12 c	16 12	God bless his Majesty	□ 4 2
13 d Advent	0 2 56	of Great Britain and	D 83
14 e	16 0	defend him, from all	D Perig.
15 f	1 V 12	Christian-Turks with-	* 4 2
16 g Ananias	16 28	in his dominions.	
17 a Lazarus	1 III 32	God Bless the Empe-	
18 b	16 16	ror, the King of Po-	
19 c	0 34	land and their Auxi-	
20 d Advent	14 24	liaries, from the Na-	
21 e St. Thomas	27 46	tural and Artificial	
22 f	10 V 42	Turks, from Teckeli-	
23 g Dagobert	23 13	ans and Rebels, and	
24 a	5 30	give them victory over	
25 b Christmas	17 38	them, that they may	△ h 2
26 c St. Stephen	29 28	be punished as David	* 2 2
27 d St. John	11 III 19	did the Ammonites, &c.	D 83
28 e St. Innocent	23 8	2 Sam. 12. 31. Christ-	* 2 2
29 f Jonathan	4 59	mas Holy days more or-	△ 4 2
30 g David	16 54	dinarily fair. And so	D Apog.
31 a	28 55	an End.	

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This Month { *Saxons Winter-Monat.*
is called of the { *Latines December.*
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{ *Hebrews Kisseu.* } *It is the 9 Month*
with the Hebrews.

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Aldeberan South 56 minutes past 11 at night.

The bright foot of Otion South 29 minutes

past 11 at night.

The Saxons called this Month Winter-Mo-

nat but after they were converted to the Faith,

they then of devotion to the Birth of Christ,

called it by the name of Heligh Monat, that

is to say, Holy Month, Verst, Nation. Origo p. 62.

Ninth day Cor E is South at 4 in the mor-

ning.

The Latines called it December because

it is the Tenth Month from March, which is

their First.

Syrus or the Great Dog South 40 minutes

past 11 at night.

The best Phylick this Month is good Meat

and the strongest Drink you can get, warm

Cloaths and moderate exercise, Hunting or

Tracing Hares.

The 7 Stars South at 4 m. past 8 at night.

Cauda Leonis. South at 4 in the morning.

The dominion of the Moon in Mans body passing under the 12 Signs of the Zodiack.

♈ <i>Aries</i> Head and Face,	♎ <i>Libra</i> Reins and Loyns.
♉ <i>Taurus</i> Neck and Throat,	♏ <i>Scorpio</i> Secret Members.
♊ <i>Gemini</i> Arms and Shoulders.	♐ <i>Sagittarius</i> Thighs and Hips.
♋ <i>Cancer</i> Breast and Stomack.	♑ <i>Capricornus</i> the Knees.
♌ <i>Leo</i> Heart and Back.	♒ <i>Aquarius</i> the Legs.
♍ <i>Virgo</i> Bowels and Belly.	♓ <i>Pisces</i> the Feet.

Briefly thus viz.

♈ Head, ♉ Neck, ♊ Arms require,
♋ Breast, ♌ Heart, ♍ Guts desire:
♎ Loyns, ♏ Secrets, ♐ Thighs,
♑ Neck, ♒ Legs, and ♓ Feet supplies.

The Characters of the seven Planets and Nodes.

♄ *Saturn*, ♃ *Jupiter*, ♂ *Mars*, ☉ *Sol*, ♀ *Venus*, ☿ *Mercury*,
☾ *Luna*, ♊ *Dragons head*, ☊ *Dragons tayl*.

The Aspects of the Planets.

- ♂ *Conjunction* in the same sign and degree
- * *Sexile* When Planets are distant 60 degrees
- *Quartile* When Planets are distant 90 degrees
- △ *Trine* When they are distant 120 degrees
- ♌ *Opposition* When they are distant 180 degrees

The Glorious Planet *Venus*, is Oriental of the Sun, and becomes our bright Morning Star, until *June 18*; and then will be Occidental and set after the Sun, and become our glittering Evening Star, until *April 5, 1686*.

Of the *Turkish* Empire, 1685.

I. *The Beginning, Encrease and Continuance of the Turkish Empire.*

FIRST, for the Original of the *Turkish* Nation; they were in all probability the Descendants of those *Turca*, whom *Pliny* and *Pomponius Mela*, place about the Fens of *Meotis*. A people so obscure, that they were not known by any action, till the time of *Tiberius* the Second, who began his Empire, Anno 577.

In the time of *Heraclius* we read, that they were at the Siege of *Constantinople*, but under the command of the *Persians*.

In the Year 844, they brake through the *Caspian* Streights, and passing through *Iberia*, siezed on *Armenia Major*; and there seated themselves, calling it *Turcomania*; and there they roamed up and down, and lived by Grazing, and keeping Cattle; their Houses being Carts, covered with Skins of Beasts, and upon occasion they removed their Herds, Houses and Families from one place to another.

And so they lived a poor, contemptible people, till *Mahomet* the Sultan of *Persia*, rebelling against his Lord and Master, the Caliph of *Babylon*, called in these *Turks* to his aid, and by their help obtained a signal Victory, and overthrew the *Caliphs* Forces; and might have had the Sovereignty of *Persia* into himself, if he had but used his Victory, and his Friends with any discretion; but denying either to pay them their wages, or to permit them to go home again, they begin to make head against him, under the conduct of *Tangrolipix* their principal Leader; and their design being once known, several discontented persons, and disbanded Souldiers of that Country, came flocking unto them; being encouraged by this new addition, and furnished with Horse and Armour, by the spoil of the Country, they gave Battle unto the Sultan himself, whom they overthrew, and slew in the second Battle; And when immediately *Tangrolipix* is by the joynt consent of both

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Armies,

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Armies Proclaimed King, or Sultan of Persia, Anno 1030.

There were at that time two Families, of greatest note amongst themselves, [no body yet taking any notice of any of them] the *Selzuccian* and the *Oguzian*: *Tangrolipix* abovesaid was of the *Selzuccian* Family, and not only so, but the head, or principal of it; and next unto him, and of the same Family *Entlu Moses*, *Melech* and *Ducat*; amongst whom a quarrel falling out about the division of their new conquered Territories; it was thus agreed by the *Caliph* of *Babylon*, that *Melech* and *Ducat* should be invested in the Cities of *Alap* and *Damascus*, and their several Territories; Also whatsoever they could conquer from the *Caliph* of *Egypt*, (for you must know that the minds of the *Turks* from their very first Original, have been set upon mischief, Thieving, Robbing, Wars and Bloodshed) and *Entlu Moses*, was to have for himself, whatsoever he could win from the *Christian* Princes; and to be furnished with a competent Army for that purpose, And he won from them the Provinces of *Media* and *Armenia* in *Asia Major*; and *Pontus*, *Cappadocia*, *Bithynia*, in *Asia Minor*; and was the first King of the *Selzuccian* Family there; And *Melech* and *Ducat* added to their Dominions all the rest of *Syria*, and some part of *Cilicia*, with some adjoyning Provinces in *Asia Minor*.

Saladine succeeding in the same Throne, took from the *Christians* the Holy Land, with the City of *Jerusalem*, also *Elazix* his second Son succeeded him, and was soon Murthered, and seven of his Brethren most barbarously, by his Uncle *Saphradine*, who possessed himself of the Kingdom, and at his death he made his Son *Corryadine* King, or Sultan of *Damascus*, all *Syria*, and the Holy Land; but he was overthrown, and taken Prisoner by *Haalon* a cruel *Tartar*, and brought before the Walls of the City, and in the sight of his own Subjects, to be slain, if they would not deliver the City, and so save the life of their King; which they refusing, he was miserably torn in pieces there; and *Haalon* soon after took the City by an assault. This Kingdom thus won, was given by the Conqueror to *Agab* the Son of *Haalon*, but he held it not long, for it was soon taken from him by the *Mamelukes*, then Kings of *Egypt*. And it was taken again from them by *Tamurlaine*, that famous that furious Warriour; who Anno 1400 besieged, and took *Damascus* with an Army of 1200000. He put all his Prisoners

and the vanquished to the sword, and with their Bodies filled up the ditches; and with a curious Art made three Towers, as a Trophy of his Victory, the Walls whereof were built with the heads of those Men, Women and Children, whom he had slaughtered.

This *Tamberlaine* was one of the greatest Conquerors that ever the World yet saw, for in his life time, he conquered more Princes, and spilt more blood than all the *Romans* did in 800 years space. He subdued the City *Sebastia*, which valiantly resisted his Army, consisting of 800000 *Tartars*; In revenge whereof when he had taken it, he buried 12000 Men, Women and Children alive in great hollow Pits, which he had caused to be made for that purpose, and then forthwith he marched to meet *Bajazet*, the great *Turkish* Emperour, who was coming to relieve the said City, with an Army of 600000; him he overthrew, and slew of his Souldiers 200000; and took *Bajazet*, and put him in an Iron Cage, and caused him to be carried for his Footstool to mount his Horse: To conclude *Tamberlaine*, this famous Conqueror, was a man so strangely made up of wit and virtue, that it is hard to say whether was Conqueror in him.

The line of *Tangrolipix*, and the rest of the *Selucci* Family, being worn out among the *Turks*; the *Oguzian* begins to lift up the head: And the chief of that Family was *Ottoman*, Nephew to *Solyman*, Prince of *Macchan*, a small Territory in *Persia*; which said *Solyman*, flying from the fury of the *Tartars*, then warring in *Persia*, was drowned in the River *Euphrates*; and *Ertbogul* his Son governed that small number of people, which his unfortunate Father had left: And he begged *Sagunt* (a little Village in *Bithynia*) of *Aladin*, for himself, and his small handful of people. (This *Aladin* was the last of the *Selucci* Line.) To *Ertbogul* succeeded his Son *Solyman*, in the year 1280. And the unwary Christians, having done some injuries to his people, he begins to make War upon them, and takes one Castle after another, and one City after another, till at length he conquers the City of *Nica*, which had been the Imperial Seat of the *Grecian* Emperours, and now being puffed up with the pride of his great success; and hearing that *Aladin* was dead, he takes upon himself the Title of *Sultan* in the year 1300, which before he neither could nor durst do, because *Aladin* was his Sovereign Lord and Master.

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And to this very time, and to these small, low and doubtful beginnings, must we reduce the first Foundation of this famous, this monstrous, this vast *Ottoman Empire*, which is now grown to that height, and swollen to that greatness, by the prosperous fate, and thriving Valour of her succeeding Kings and Emperours, that it is now become the burden, the dread and terrour of the whole Earth. Certainly Fame hath so far swelled the vastness and monstrosity of the *Ottoman* power, that it hath so dazzled the eyes of all Christian Kings and Princes, that they dare not look him in the face without a *Present*: Neither is the *Persian Emperour* (for all his so great, so large Territories) much bolder, for he gives him the advantage, and honour to be still on the *Offensive*.

Ottoman Kings.

But to give my Reader a small view of the proceedings, and degrees of their *Encrease*, from so low, so contemptible Beginnings.

1. This *Ottoman*, the first King in the *Oguzian* line; added to his small Territories, [for he was then scarce a Roy d' *Iviodot*] the greatest part of *Phrygia*, *Bythinia*, and some part of *Pontus*.

2. *Orchanes* the second King, took the City of *Prusa*, and kept his Court there; and was the first that ever got an inch of *Europe*, taking *Gallipolis*, &c.

3. *Amurah* the third King, took the *Thracian Chersonese*, the strong City of *Adrianople*, with the Countries of *Servia* and *Bulgaria*.

4. *Bajazet* the fourth King, conquered *Thrace*, *Macedon*, *Achaia*, and had conquered much more, but that Victorious *Tamberlan* took him, and locked him up in an Iron Cage, where in a rage, for want of room, he dashed out his own brains, Anno 1399.

5. *Solyman* his Eldest Son succeeded him, but did not much against the *Christians*, his youngest Brother *Mahomet*, and some others, found work enough: He was the 5th King in the *Ottoman* line.

6. *Mahomet* the sixth King, and youngest son of *Bajazet*, overthrew his Brother *Isa*, slew his eldest Brother *Solyman* above-named, and recovered from the *Tartars* all that his Father lost; took the Title of *Sultan* to himself, United the whole

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whole Turkish Kingdoms in his own Person, and enlarged them with an absolute Conquest of *Dacia*, *Macedonia*, and part of *Sclavonia*.

7. *Amurab* second, but seventh King in the said line, took from the *Constantinopolitan* Empire, all *Epirus*, *Achaia*, *Thessaly*, and endangered the whole State of *Hungary*; dyed under the Walls of *Croya* in the besieging of it, and yielded there his cruel Soul into the arms of the Devil.

Ottoman Emperours.

8. *Mahomet* second, surnamed the Great, was the first Emperour of the *Turks*; and he conquered two Empires, *Constantinople* and *Trapezonde*, 12 Kingdoms and 100 Cities.

9. *Bajazet* second, conquered the *Caramanian* Kingdom, part of *Armenia*, and took from the *Venetians*, *Moria*, and all their part of *Dalmatia*.

10. *Selimus*, poisoned his Father, overthrew the *Mameluks*, conquered *Egypt*, *Palestine*, *Syria* and *Arabia*, and United them to the Empire.

11. *Solyman* the Magnificent surprized *Rhodes*, *Belgrade*, *Buda*, with a great part of *Hungary*, *Babylon*, *Assyria*, *Mesopotamia*.

12. *Selimus* second, an Effeminate Emperour, yet by his Deputies he took *Cyprus* from the *Venetians*, *Tunis* and *Algiers* from the *Moors*.

13. *Amurab* third, took from the *Persians*, *Armenia*, *Media*, and the City *Tauris*, and from the *Hungarians*, the Fort *Guzrino*.

14. *Mahomet* third, took *Agria* in *Hungary*, and if he had pursued his Victory of the Battle of *Kereslure*, all *Hungary* had been lost.

15. *Achmet*, the better to enjoy his pleasures, made peace with the *German Emperour*, and added nothing to his dominions.

16. *Mustapha*, his Brother succeeded him, which was such a novelty as was never known, nor heard of before in this Kingdom.

17. *Osman* succeeded his Uncle *Mustapha*, but being unsuccessful in his Wars against *Poland*, was slain by the *Janizaries* in an uproar.

18. *Morat*, of the Age of 13 years, reigned after the deposition of *Mustapha* his Uncle, and took *Babylon* from the *Persians*.

19. *Ibrahim*, succeeded his Brother *Morat*, and spent most part of his Reign in the War of *Crete*, against the *Venetians*, but without success.

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20. *Mahomet* the fourth, now reigning, being the eldest son of *Ibrahim*, began to reign being but seven years old, his Father being strangled in Prison on the 17th of August, Anno 1648.

And thus from their *Secular State*, I come to their *Ecclesiastical*, (if I may so call it without a *Solacisme*) and this leads me to speak something of their Religion, and of their great Prophet *Mahomet*, who was the first Inventor and Broacher of it, by the assistance of *Sergius a Vagrant, Nestorian Monk*.

Mahomet was born at *Jatbrip*, an obscure Village near *Medina*, in the year 594, *Mauritius* being Emperour, and St. *Gregory* Pope of *Rome*. His Fathers name was *Abdalla*, a poor and vicious *Page*, his Mothers name was *Hemina*, a perverse *Jewess*; both dyed when he was but 2 years old, and then he was left to an Uncle, who not being able to give him any education, sold him at 16 years of Age, unto the *Ismaelites*; and they again to *Abdalmutaliff* a rich Merchant, who made an ordinary slave of him, but soon finding something in him more then ordinary; he made him his Factor, and sent him with his Camels, loaden with rich Merchandise, into *Egypt*, *Syria*, *Phrya*, and other places, from whence he ever brought his Mistress fine toys, and so well pleased her in his Masters life time, that after his death she was pleased to take him for her Husband; Being now possessed of all his Masters Wealth, he began now to think of making a *New Religion*, which might unite all parties in some common Principles; and by the help of the said fugitive Monk, he patched it up of *Judaisme*, *Gentilisme*, and *Christianism*.

He was much troubled with the Falling-Sickness, but that infirmity he made much use of afterwards, affirming that those fits were Heavenly Raptures, in which he did converse with the Angel *Gabriel*; and having taught a Pigeon to gather Wheat-corns out of his ears when he was in one of his fits; he told the people that it was the Angel that instructed him in the Religion and Law, that he was to publish: And the first thing that he Proclaimed, as revealed from God to him, was Liberty to all Slaves and Servants, and that God dearly tendered the natural Liberty of Mankind: This drew unto him such a rabble of unruly Slaves, Outlawed Rebels, and sturdy Rogues, that without fear or opposition, he dispersed his damnable Doctrine. In the year 623 he was chosen General of the *Arabian* and *Saracen* Forces: And to them he still declared his Revelations, and taught his impious lawless Law, which

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which was alwayes most pleasant and delightful to the Flesh. Such doctrines as those, that men might Marry as many Wives as they pleased, and divorce themselves from them when they will, and again, if they shall think fit, marry the divorced or others; and keep as many Concubines as they list; and so doing they shall not offend: And to shew that his Revelation was true, he Married nine Wives himself, one of which he caused his Slave *Zaida* to put away from him, and this Holy Prophet took her into his own bed, because of her beauty: And this his doctrine, he saith, must be planted and propagated with Fire and Sword; and saith, that whosoever dyes fighting in the defence of it, shall certainly go to Heaven; the joys of which he makes to be nothing else, but to be clad in costly Apparel, and fed at sumptuous Banquets, drink delicious Wines, and embrace continually beautiful and young Ladies upon Beds of Ivory, And those, and such dreams are taught in his *Alkoran*, which is a book so much in esteem with them, that they permit no man to dispute any point in it upon pain of death, no, nor to touch it with unwashten hands, for they write upon the cover of it; *Let no man touch this but he that is clean.*

Thus by his false Word, and his sharp Sword, he hath United and joined together in one great Body, the *Arabians*, *Scythians*, *Saracens*, *Turks* and *Tartars*, whereof the *Turks* are now the Head, being invested with Supreme Power over all the rest; even *Arabia* it self; *Mahomers* first Seat is annexed to the *Turkish* Empire, and there is now no Kingdom, Principality, nor Province under Heaven, that acknowledgeth the Empire of the *Saracens*. (once a potent and a numerous people) but the Kingdom of *Fesse* and *Morocco* only. The power of the *Tartars* may be conjectured by the Army of *Tambrlaine* before mentioned, consisting of 1200000 Horse and Foot; and long after the Empire was divided by *Tambrlaine* amongst his Sons, we find that *Cublay Cham* their Emperour, had in the Field an Army of 100000 Foot, and 360000 Horse against his Uncle *Naián*, and one *Caiadas*, two Rebels, who came against him with an Army of 300000 on their side: But now the Successours of this great Emperour are Slaves and Vassals to the *Turkish* Emperour, being bound to assist him upon demand with 60000 Horses at his own charge: Yet if his people would closely unite, he is able to prescribe Laws to the Emperour of the *Turks*, (and in all probability to subdue him)

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for his Subjects are exceeding many, strong of body, swift of foot, valiant and vigilant in the time of War, and patient of all extremities, both of cold and hunger; and withall so barbarous, that they will eat their enemies, first letting out their blood, which they receive in Cups, and drink as Wine to the Feast. In Travail or War, they can feed lustily upon any Flesh or Carrion, that they find dead in a ditch, and therefore need not carry much victuals about with them, as other Souldiers are necessitated to do: And this I think will not seem strange to any one, that shall but read this following story, concerning their great *Cham* or *Emperour* then being; who had a great desire to be King of *Poland*, and hearing that *Stephen Bathori* the King thereof was dead, he sent Embassadors to negotiate his Election to their Kingdom, and to induce the Nobility thereunto; he promised them in his Letters amongst other things, That their *Pope* should be his *Pope*, their *Luther* his *Luther*; and that he would not put them to any charge in providing Dyet or Table for him, for he could live with Horseflesh; His Embassy was entertained with great laughter, and much mirth, as indeed it well deserved.

And thus swelled with *Paissance* and *Glory*, stands the present Emperour of the *Turks* now Reigning, namely *Sultan Mahomet Han*, who hath since his coming to the Throne, enlarged his Dominions, by taking the Isle of *Candia* from the *Venetians*, *Newbasel*, and some parts of *Hungary*, &c. from the *German Emperours*, whose chief City *Vienna*, he lately besieged with an Army near 300000 strong; and swore that he would not only take that City, but the whole *German Empire* also, and annex it to his own Territories, and of this he was so confident, that he most blasphemously swore, that *Christ* should not deliver them out of his hands.

But we hope that the *Ottoman Empire* is now at its *Zenith*, and shall proceed no further against *Christendome*, to be hereditary in its conquests, for *Mahometism* hath already endured above 1000 years, and in the *Ottoman* line near 400; and the Histories of all Ages do teach us, that the greatest Kingdoms have not endured above 500 years in their Sublimity and Glory; but they have either declined, changed in the form of Government, or perished in the whole, near that time, many have fallen short, few have passed it. The Government of the Kings of *Judah* beginning with *Saul*, to the Captivity of *Babylon* is 500 years;

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years : And after the captivity beginning at *Esdra's*, till the Emperour *Vespasian* is 500 years ; He ruined *Jernsalem* to the very ground, and that Kingdom was never restored. The Commonwealth of the *Athenians*, from *Cecrope* to *Codrus* continued 490 years, which was then changed to *Democracy*. The Commonwealth of the *Lacedemonians*, changed at that time also. The *Roman* Consuls ruled 500 years, from the banishment of the Kings, until the time of the Monarchy of *Augustus* : The same time was observed since *Augustus* till the fall of *Valentinian* the last Emperour of the *West* : But we may read that many Kingdoms and Common-wealths have not continued past half that period of 500 years. The *Persian* Monarchy continued but 230 years, and then was ruined by *Alexander* the Great, and the *Grecian* Monarchy begun by him, continued but 230 years ; and then was ruined by the *Romans* ; and we could mention more, but being confined to 1 sheet of Paper, we must reserve the enlargement of these things unto another time. Also other Arguments might be brought from the present State of the Empire, to shew that it is in the wane, and not in the increase ; but for this time we shall omit them for the reason abovesaid, and refer the Reader to *Heylin's Cosmog.* l. 3. p. 133, 134. &c. where he may find 9 probable prognostick arguments for that purpose.

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THE Reader looking upon the difficulty of my task, to unfold, and unriddle those dark, those enigmatical Mysteries, will think I may say of them, as *Ovid* of his *Triumviral Office*, *Majus erit nostris viribus illud onus* ; and that I shall be driven to an *Academical suspence*, not able to pronounce any thing certainly, but like *Sceptical Pyrrho*, must refer all to farther knowledge ; or at the best, I shall find no open tract or constant manuduction into this *Labyrinth*, but must continually be forced to wander in the *American* and untravelled paths of truth, not revealed, but kept secret from *Mortals* ; and at last shall only precipitate my self, and the Reader into the caliginous Pit of meer putation and doubtful opinion.

To which I answer, that I hope otherwise, though I know the burden is heavy, but not importable, the task is difficult, but not impossible ; the way is dark, but not so obscure, but some glimmering light may be seen ; Yet I know very well that God, as he hath proposed the World to our disputation, so he hath reserved many things unto his Resolution ;

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Resolution; whose determinations we cannot hope for from flesh and blood; but must with reverence suspend until the great day, whose Justice shall either condemn our curiosities, or resolve our disquisitions.

In the mean time consider, that God hath Three Books, two of Life, and one of the Creatures.

1. The first is the Eternal Rolls and Register of his Elect, which is so far removed from the search and sight of Humanity, that no man yet ever read one line thereof; and though it be a sin, (perhaps little less then that of Adam) to pry into the secrets of the Thunderer; and though many in this inquisitive Age, would be, yet few I think are guilty of it.

2. This Book we are commanded to read and understand it, and though in some places, it is so plain, that a Plowman may read and understand it, yet in others so obscure and unintelligible, that we must commit it to the Church; and the Church her self, saith St. Irenaeus, must resign back a great part of those sacred Volumes (as books that cannot be understood here on Earth) to God that gave them, to be revealed unto us, as he pleaseth in the other World.

3. The last is the Book of Creatures; of this I may say with the Prophet Isaiah, ch. 29. v. 18. *The deaf shall hear the words of this Book, and the eyes of the blind shall see out of obscurity and darkness;* yea, he that runs may read it. This book is much available to the other. *Sebund* saith, it teacheth all things, and requires no books nor witnesses; in some sence it is safer than the Bible, because it cannot be falsified by *Hereticks*. Sure I am one ordinary Letter, yet a capital one; the regular motion of the Sun made some Heathens more admire (if not adore) God, then the extraordinary station of it, and all the lines in the other book, did his own people the *Jews*. But to wind up this discourse in a word; the knowledge of the first Book is impossible, the second difficult, and the third facil.

From the 2 last books, I shall I hope, find probable (perhaps demonstrative) arguments to acquaint my Reader with the downfall, or duration of these two famous Empires, viz. the *Roman* and the *Turkish*.

1. And therefore I will first prove from the Scripture, that there shall be but four Chief Monarchies, from the beginning of the world to the end thereof.

2. And secondly shew, whether it shall be the *Roman* or *Turkish*, or some other not yet mentioned; which shall be the last; and

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his may be effected by the two Visions, the one of Nebuchaddezzar, and the other of Daniel.

1. Concerning the Vision of Nebuchadnezzar, you may read it at large in the second Chapter of Daniel; and also the interpretation of it; the sum whereof is briefly thus; viz.

In the second year of his Reign, he saw in his dream a dreadful Image, whose Head was of Gold, the Breast and Arms of Silver, the Belly and Thighs of Brass, the Legs of Iron, and the Feet part Iron, and part Clay. When he awaked, he had forgot what he had dreamed; but with it, he was mightily astonished; and calling together his Magicians, Astrologers and Soothsayers, he commanded them under pain of death to tell him the dream, and the interpretation thereof; neither of which they were able to perform: But Daniel, an excellent Astrologer, being brought before the King, shews him both the Dream, and the interpretation of it.

The Image, said he, signifies, The four chief Monarchies of the World, which are to succeed in order; and turning his Speech to the King himself, Thou, said he, whom God hath invested with Supreme Power and Glory; to whom he hath given rule over all men, beasts of the Earth, and fowls of the Air. Thou, said he, art the Golden Head of that Image, after thee another Kingdom shall arise of Silver, but shall be inferiour to thee in duration, dominion and glory. Afterwards a Kingdom of Brass shall arise, which shall bear rule over the whole Earth: But the fourth Kingdom shall be of Iron, far more potent then any of the former Kingdoms; for as Iron breaketh in pieces, and subdueth all things; so shall this last break in pieces all the rest, and bring them in subjection to it.

This is the first, and formerly never heard of Prophecie, of the four Monarchies of the World; A thing truly worthy to be written in Letters of Gold, and to be had in every mans memory; because in a few words it comprehends the History of all Ages and Times, until the end of the World.

2. Concerning Daniels vision, see chap. 7. The sum of which is briefly this; He saw the four winds strive upon the great sea, and four great beasts came up from the sea; a lyon, a bear, a leopard; And the fourth beast was dreadful, and terrible to behold, exceeding strong, having great iron teeth. This is briefly the sum of this dream, the interpretation followeth.

I say of these 2 Visions, as Joseph said of Pharaohs 2 Dreams, because the Dream which is one, is doubled, the thing is Established by God, and shall surely come to pass: Both Visions signifie the Four chief Monarchies of the World.

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I. The Lyon signifies the first Monarchy, viz. the Assyrian, two wings which he had, signifie the two members of that Monarchy; viz. Babylon and Assyria. This Monarchy, though it was first begun by Ninus, Anno Mundi 1905; yet in the Reign of Nabuchadnezzar it attained to its Zenith, and Vertical point of perfection, and in his Nephews time fell away, and was quite extinguished, when it had stood about 1538 years.

II. The Bear signifies the second Monarchy, the Persian, which was begun by Cyrus, and continued 230 years, and ended in Darius, whom Alexander the Great overthrew in three set battles, where he was slain in the last; and his last words I cannot pass by; being near death he called for drink, and Polystratus gave him some cold water, which he drunk off, and said unto him; this is my misfortune, my Friend, that having received this pleasure, I cannot requite thee; and so gave up the Ghost, his Body being full of wounds with darts and arrows. And thus (in his time) the greatest Glory of men, and the Second Monarchy with him.

The 3 ribs in the mouth of the Bear, mentioned v. 5. are the three chief Kings of that Monarchy, Cyrus, Darius and Artaxerxes, who were more potent then the rest, subdued many Kingdoms, drew much Flesh, and shed much Blood.

III. The Leopard signifies the Third Monarchy, the Grecian, Alexander the Great: The 4 wings signifie the 4 chief Kings and Kingdoms, which arose out of that Monarchy after his death; Seleucus King of Syria, Ptolomy King of Egypt, Antigonus to be a King of the lesser Asia, and Cassander King of Greece and Macedonia.

It is wonderful to see how Daniel in his eighth Chap. perfectly portrays Alexander the Great, and his valiant deeds, under the Vision of the rough Goat, and that 200 years before he was born. When he touched not the ground, saith he, v. 5. but ran upon the Ram (which signified the King of the Medes and Persians) in the fury of his power, and smote him down to the ground, and stamped upon him with his feet, and none was able to deliver the Ram out of his hands, signifying that he should ruine the Persian Monarchy, and run down all his Wars with much speed and celerity; and also the shortness of his reign, which was but 12 years, being poisoned in the 33 year of his Age; yet in that short space, he subdued most of the Eastern Countries, and transferred the Imperial Seat out of Asia into Europe.

I confess I am not of the same mind with Titus Livy, who compares Lucius Papyrius Cursor, (that Quintessence of Valour) to him, and endeavours to persuade his Reader, that he was able

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have resisted him, if he had led his Army into Europe, and made War upon the Romans, after he had conquered Asia. Alexander was the Founder of the third Monarchy, and it continued 300, or some say but 250 years after his death.

IV. The fourth, the greatest, the last that ever shall be, was begun by Julius Cæsar, Anno Mundi, 3925; and that is the ROMAN MONARCHY, signified by that fourth Beast, which the Prophet saith, was dreadful and terrible to behold, and exceeding strong, having great Iron Teeth, which devoured, and brake in pieces all the residue, and stamped upon them with his feet. And this is diversely represented unto us, by the Legs and Feet of Nebuchadnezzars Image, which the Prophet saith, shall be of Iron, and shall break in pieces, and subdue all the other Monarchies.

We will therefore take a short view of this last and greatest Monarchy, and a little look upon the beginning, increase and continuance of it.

I will begin, with the beginning of Rome, the Metropolis, and greatest Glory, not only of Italy, but of the whole Earth; setting aside the opinion of Frier Leander the Italian Antiquary, concerning the first Foundation of it. It was (as most say) first founded by Romulus, who with his Brother Remus were born Twins (Bastards) of Rhea, a Vestal Virgin, Daughter of King Numitor, who being shut up in the Temple of Vesta, against her will proved with Child, and was delivered of the two Boys aforesaid; for which she was by her Kings Uncle, that cruel Tyrant (who had overthrown her Father, and had taken his Kingdom from him) buried quick, and the two Boys cast tigons to be devoured by wild Beasts: But being found by Faustulus, a Kings Shepherd, they were nursed by the Milk of a Shee-Wolf, as Livy sheweth: Like as Pizzarro (that famous Spanish or Peuvian Conquerour) was for a while by sucking a Sow: But being grown to Mans estate they revenged the cruel death of their Mother, (which injury to their Grandfather; by killing the Tyrant, and placing their Grandfather in his Throne again. This done they left him, and upon that laid the Foundation of Rome; 'Tis said that when the Walls were low, Remus the younger Brother leaped over them in scorn, and Romulus the elder slew him for his pains; thus the first Foundation of Rome was laid in blood, and was first of all peopled with the 3 years off of all Italians, and was a Sanctuary for all comers whatsoever; of whom Romulus (having brought them into order) made himself King. They were a people of so base a degree and quality, who their Neighbour's refused to give them their Daughters in Marriage

riage, therefore they were forced to get them wives by a slight, proclaiming some plays and pastimes, which caused many Sabine men to flock thither to behold the sport, and then this rude rabble ravished, and afterwards constrained to be their Wives. After they encreased dayly by degrees, till that the City from such a low and contemptible beginning, became the Lady and Empreess the whole World. The inhabitants at the first general Muster, but amount to the number of 3300 men at most, but the Kings succeeding, much enlarged the City, and encreased the number of the habitants; so that at length, they were in number, at least 463000 which were all men of War, and free Denizens, and neither Slaves, Women nor Children, reckoned in the number, which if they were added, they would make them to be no less then four Millions and yet they were continually in Wars, as may appear by the following story.

They had a custome to set open the Temple of Janus, continually in time of their Wars, and to shut it in time of peace, which continuing all the whole time of their Monarchy happened but thrice, in the reign of Augustus, after the first Punick war, and in time of Numa; yet notwithstanding their continual Wars, they continually encreased, and enlarged their dominions, and became dread and terror of the whole Earth, so that Augustus said

"What Nation (saith he) in the World hath not begged their bread at our Gates, or felt the fury of our Wars at their own?"

"Country have we not harried with Fire and Sword, making them sing and the setting Sun the bounds of our dominions? They indeed so good Souldiers generally, that their General needed not to encourage them, for they were not acquainted with fear; when they overcome, that were never overcome: Conquest was engraven in their swords, and Victory written in their Fore-heads. As from the Zenith and Vertical point of their perfection and glory, directly down to the Nadir and lowest Ebb of their imbecillity and misfortune.

And I will first take a view of Italy, the first seat of the Roman Empire; But this which was anciently the head is now quite away from the Body of the Empire; the Popes keep the City of Rome (anciently the Emperours Palace) in their own hands, and also the Duchies of Ancona, Romandiola, Ducato, Spoleitano, and St. Marino Patrimony. And the Old Gentleman now takes so much to himself, that instead of being subject to the Emperour, he the Emperour is subject to him, insomuch that Pope Gregory 7. made

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communicated Henry 4. Emperour of Germany, and he was fain to submit to the Pope, and takes his Queen, and little Son, and in the sharpest of Winter travels to Rome, with great difficulty and danger of life, and before he could be admitted into the Popes presence, he staid 3 days without the gates, clad in mean apparel, bare foot, and fasting from morning till night. Pope Alexander 3. Excommunicated the Emperour Frederick 1. and compelled him to lye prostrate at his feet, and trod upon his neck saying now I tread upon the Basilisk and Adder, &c. But notwithstanding the Popes great conceit of their own power this may be truly said, that during the Roman felicity, this City was never taken by any, but since it became Pontifical never any besieged it, but they took it.

But to proceed, the Kings of Spain hold Apulia, Campania and Naples. And what number of Statelie Cities, goodly Provinces and Islands do the Venetians hold, being now a free State, quite separated from the Roman Empire.

All France, Portugal, Spain, Denmark, Sarmatia, Pannonia, Illyricum, England, Scotland and Ireland, with other Neighbouring Countreies, have all Kings and Lords of their own. The Islands of Sardinia, Corfica, Majorig, Minorig, Sicilia, and the Savoy, are all now fallen away from the Roman Empire; and will not be at one penny charges about any publick or private affairs thereof, either in war or peace, but what they give, give freely of their own accord.

In all Asia (which some (with what reason I know not) say is the biggest of all the 4 parts of the World) yet all this is lost to that grand enemy of Christ and Christianity, the Turk; and the Roman Emperour hath not so much as his length in it, and yet it contains these Kingdoms and Provinces, Armenia, Anatolia, Persia, Assyria, China, Syria, Arabia, Mesopotamia, India, Parthia, Media, Palestine, Chaldeia and Tartaria.

All Africa is lost in a manner, containing these Provinces, viz. Egypt, Ethiopia, Nubia, Abasines, Alonomotapa, Lydia and Barbary: The Islands Magdascar, St. Thomas, Insula de cape Verde, Insula de Banaria, Insula de Madera, &c. And in Europe all Grecia, most of the above mentioned are in the Turks possession, and the rest in the hands of other enemies of our Religion; so that now whatsoever goes under the name of the Empire, is included within the bounds of Germany only, for all other places without the compass thereof, are fallen away; and I would to God that those within the compass of it were well united amongst themselves, that they might resist the common Enemy the Turk, who hath much prevailed against the Emperour of late; and the last year (when I was writing this) made an irrode into the very

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very heart of the Empire, and besieging Vienna the principal City with an Army of 200000 strong, and above as some do relate.

Now let us again consider the prophesie of Daniel aforesaid, and we shall find, that the last Beast had ten horns, which signifie the 10 numbers, or Kingdoms of the Roman Empire, viz, Asia, Africk, Syria, Egypt, Italy, Spain, Greece, Gallio, Germany and Brittain; All these with their Territories did belong to the Roman Empire. The Text saith, There came up a little horn, among the 10 horns, and plucked away 3 horns from them, and it had eyes like a man, and a mouth speaking great words against the most High.

This plainly signifies the Kingdom of Mahomet, or the Turk (which shall be shew'd more largely (God willing) the next year) which from a small beginning, growing out of the Roman Monarchy, hath seized upon 3 of the most principal horns thereof, viz. Egypt, Asia and Greece. And though the Text say, that this little horn (the Turk) shall change times and laws, and do great things, yet shall he erect no fifth Monarchy, being himself but a member, or rather an excellence, a troublesome wen of the fourth Monarchy, whose feet are in Iron, and shall endure till the world it self shall be destroyed: And so shall the little horn, the Turk, reign till the ancient of days come to judgment, but shall decline and decrease in the greatness of his power, and extent of his Empire, and therefore shall never attain to the height of power and glory, which the ten horns, the Roman Empire had, but being confined to 1 sheet of Paper, I must leave this discourse imperfect for this time; therefore to wind up all in a few lines; I do affirm that from the Prophesie of Daniel, and from what is already said, we may understand these following conclusions to be most certain, and undeniably true, viz.

I. That the Roman Empire is the most great, and most potent that ever was or will be; 'Tis the fourth beast that shall devour the whole earth, Dan. 7. 23, 24.

II. That it is now at the lowest ebb, and shall fall no lower.

III. That it shall never be overthrown by any, but shall continue till the world it self be destroyed. 'Tis the last Beast or Empire, after it comes no more, but only a little blasphemous horn buds up.

I. That the Turkish Empire is now at its Zenith and Vertical point.

II. That he shall not prosper in this War against the Emperor of Germany, neither now nor any other time; He must but have 2 horns.

III. That he shall never be converted to the Christian Faith.

IV. That he shall continue making War upon the Christians till the World shall come to an end.

FINIS.